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SUBJ: SALE OF POV'S AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS BELONGING TO DEPARTING  
MILITARY PERSONNEL

1. ON FEBRUARY 24 MUTUAL SECURITY AFFAIRS COUNSELOR GARDNER CALLED ON MFA DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS ASULA TO EXPRESS CONCERN OVER HARDSHIP BEING CAUSED DEPARTING MILITARY PERSONNEL BY GOT CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES' REFUSAL TO PERMIT THE TRANSFER OF PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES AND CERTAIN HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS (BEYANNAME ITEMS) TO OTHER MILITARY PERSONNEL. REFERRING TO PREVIOUS STATEMENT BY ASULA THAT "ADMINISTRATIVE MEANS" HAD BEEN FOUND TO PERMIT SUCH TRANSFERS, GARDNER NOTED THAT CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES SEEMED TO HAVE RECEIVED NO INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS REGARD AND DEPARTING MILITARY PERSONNEL WERE FORCED IN MANY INSTANCES TO ABANDON VALUABLE POSSESSIONS OT CUSTOMS. GARDNER PROVIDED ASULA REPRESENTATIVE STATISTICS ON HARDSHIPS BEING INCURRED, WHICH HE NOTED HAD BECOME SUBJECT TO CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES.

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2. ASULA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT INSTRUCTIONS TO LOCAL

CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES TO PERMIT TRANSFERS OF POV'S AND  
BEYANNAME ITEMS BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY  
FORCE HAD BEEN HELD UP BY "OTHER AUTHORITIES," ON  
GROUNDS THAT THEY WOULD CONSTITUTE PARTIAL RESTITUTION  
OF 1954 SOFA IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT, WHICH HAD BEEN  
DECLARED INVALID BY CABINET DECISION. MFA HAD NOT RPT  
NOT PRESSED ISSUE FURTHER, ASULA REVEALED, IN EXPECTATION  
THAT FOREIGN MINISTER CAGLAYANGIL WOULD REINSTITUTE  
IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT DURING PLANNED FEBRUARY VISIT  
TO WASHINGTON. ASULA AGREED THAT RESOLUTION OF THIS  
PROBLEM SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE DEFERRED UNTIL FOREIGN  
MINISTER'S MARCH 24-25 VISIT AND SAID HE WOULD PRESS  
FOR EARLY INSTRUCTIONS TO CUSTOMS AUTHORITIES TO CORRECT IT.  
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